GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

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MEDICLAIM INSURANCE FOR AYURVEDIC TREATMENT
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Mediclaim covers all types of allopathic and other treatment except the ayurvedic treatment;

(b) if so, whether the Government have received representations urging the department to clarify the policy and if needed to amend the same;

(c) if so, whether the Government propose to protect and support ayurvedic treatment by getting it included in Mediclaim Insurance Coverage;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA)

(a) & (b) United India Insurance Co. Ltd., Chennai and The New India Assurance Company Ltd., Mumbai have informed that the mediclaim insurance covers treatment for any allopathic, Ayurvedic treatment excluding naturopathy treatment in any hospital as indoor patient.

(c) to (e) Does not arise as Ayurvedic treatment is already eligible for reimbursement under Mediclaim Policy. The Mediclaim policy covers hospitalization expenses for illness or injury upon the advice of a registered qualified medical practitioner.